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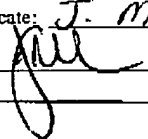
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Dear Sir:

An RCE has been filed in this case. Since the filing of the RCE, Applicant has attempted to discuss open issues with the Examiner. The Examiner has since provided informal comments, and in response thereto, Applicant requests that the following amendments amending claims 1, 7, 13 and 14 be entered and considered in view of the enclosed remarks. The amendments to the claims begin on page 3. Applicant's remarks begin on page 7.

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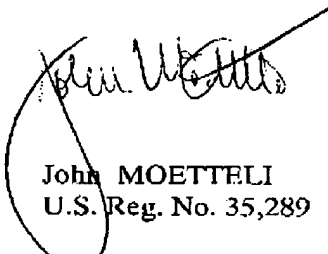
Conclusion

Applicant believes that the amendments made to the claims place these claims in condition for allowance. No new matter has been entered by this proposed amendment. Any limitations to the claims are made solely for the purpose of

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expediting the prosecution of the application and, unless otherwise expressly stated, are not made to narrow, vis-à-vis the prior art, the scope of protection which any subsequently issuing patent might afford. Again, if the Examiner has further questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned at phone 202-204-2222, or 011-4171-230-1000, fax at 011-4171-230-1001 (Switzerland is 6 hours ahead of Eastern Std Time), or e-mail at moetteli@patentinfo.net.

Respectfully submitted,

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